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CAMP BEGINS JUNE 24!

YMCA OF METUCHEN, EDISON, **WOODBRIDGE & SOUTH AMBOY SUMMER DAY CAMPS 2019**

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YMCA of Metuchen, Edison, **Woodbridge & South Amboy**

THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME

SUMMER DAY

CAMP

Through programs that develop our youth, support healthy living and foster a sense of social responsibility, the YMCA ensures that everyone, regardless of age, income or background, has the opportunity to belong.

Y campers laugh, play and learn! They develop self-confidence, teamwork and leadership skills through structured activities that are safe and accepting.

Interactive themes tap into the curiosity and wonder in each of our campers. Children make new friendships, build lasting memories and spend summer days having fun and learning!

Our highly trained staff takes the time to know each camper while providing a safe and exciting environment for your child to play, grow and help prevent summer learning loss.

10 weekly sessions beginning June 24, 2019.

No camp on July 4, 2019.

ACCOMPLISHMENT

Camp provides opportunities for your child to discover new skills and achieve greatness.

BELONGING

We're here to make your kids feel welcome. The Y is a place where they belong and can be themselves.

CAMP READER PROGRAM

FRIENDSHIPS

Campers work together and play together, creating friendships that will last a lifetime!

SWIM LESSONS AVAILABLE!

S.T.E.A.M. PROGRAMS

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math)

*Camp is not in session July 4.

Y LEARNING CENTER CAMPS



The YMCA believes that all kids deserve the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive. Our unique programs bridge the gap between child care and day camp, offering campers from five years old to pre-teens a broad range of age appropriate activities. These activities include a healthy balance of indoor activities, like S.T.E.A.M., summer reading and art, as well as outdoor activities like twice weekly swim, team sports, and CATCH fitness programs. Similarly, our weekly educational field trip will stimulate their imaginations and creativity! These five programs located in neighborhood learning centers offer many benefits for campers.

METUCHEN

CENTENARY EARLY LEARNING CENTER

200 Hillside Avenue Contact: Melinda Wilson melinda.wilson@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.548.5468

EDISON

OUR SAVIOR'S LEARNING CENTER 50 Calvert Avenue East

Contact: Jeanna Kim jeanna.kim@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.548.0523

KEN SHIRK LEARNING CENTER

445 Old Post Road **Contact: Samantha Creange** samantha.creange@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.287.1131

AVENEL LEARNING CENTER

238 Avenel Street Contact: Rosanna Pagtakhan rosanna.pagtakhan@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.636.1100

COLONIA LEARNING CENTER

400 Inman Avenue **Contact: Fatima Ismail** fatima.ismail@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.340.9622

> Main Camp Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm Before Care Hours: 7:00am to 8:00am After Care Hours:

5:00pm to 6:30pm

These programs provide smaller group sizes, making it easier for counselors and campers to get to know each other and build strong relationships. Programs can be individualized to meet the needs of each camper through communication and planning. Contact us for more information today!

SUMMER FUN CLUB

Our Learning Center wants to help give your kids ages 3-5 the Best Summer Ever! The Summer Fun Club is designed specifically for Preschool children to help them build upon and enhance their social, emotional and academic development. They'll learn new skills, have new experiences and discover new parts of themselves while building relationships, developing a sense of belonging and accomplishing developmental goals. This program is offered at all five locations and provides a variety of scheduling options. This program sells out guickly—register soon!



EDISON YMCA OAKCREST SUMMER CAMP

For children from Pre-K to Grade 10, Oakcrest Camp gives children and teens the opportunity to have the best summer ever by meeting new friends, exploring nature, discovering new interests, being physically active and creating memories that will last a lifetime. Campers have fun with structures and inclusive games, arts and crafts, swim lessons and free swim time. Each camp week will have a new theme so campers can discover new experiences. A weekly day trip gives campers the opportunity to encounter new places. Oakcrest Camp is located on our beautiful 14-acre Oakcrest Family Swim Club property in Edison.

S.T.E.A.M. TRADITIONAL CAMP (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) For children entering grades K—10th grade

Our S.T.E.A.M. Traditional camp combines S.T.E.A.M. activities with the fun of a traditional camp. Campers will learn about nature, perform science and engineering experiments, and learn math skills in fun ways. Campers will also take part in sports like basketball and soccer as well as archery, art, and ceramics. Campers will go swimming four days per week and take part in a field trip every Wednesday! Free swim lessons are included. Some theme weeks include:

•Wild West •Superheroes •Animation •Color Wars •Space Force •Safari •Wizards & Magic •Summer Soakin' •Carnival •Olympics

COUNSELORS IN TRAINING PROGRAM

(must be at least 16 years old and completed 10th grade)

The Counselor in Training program is a comprehensive 5-week program that gives young men and women the tools to grow into thriving counselors. This program will help young adults develop skills for succeeding in a childcare profession. Patience, listening, communication, teamwork, leadership and problem solving will all be practiced during this 5-week program. We are looking for individuals who are hard working and are passionate about pursuing a career as a child care professional. Our focus is also to incorporate core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility into this experience and to build leadership skills in a camp environment.

LEADERS IN TRAINING PROGRAM (must be at least 15 years old and completed 9th grade)

The Leader In Training program is a 3-week program that allows high school-aged campers the opportunity to gain experience in leading groups and achieving goals. LITs will learn by observing and shadowing professionals before taking the lead and guiding a group in a lesson or activity. Hard work and having a passion to broaden ones leadership skills are required, as the selection process for the program is very strict. Our focus is also to incorporate the core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility into this experience and to build leadership skills in a camp environment.

OAKCREST CAMP AND POOL

970 Inman Avenue, Edison NJ

Main Camp Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm Before Care Option: 7:00am to 8:00am After Care Option: 5:00pm to 7:00pm

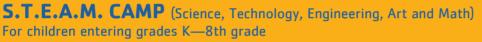
FREE SWIM LESSONS

Camp Director: Eric Meshirer eric.meshirer@ymcaofmewsa.org Before June 24: 732.494.3232 ext. 3505 After June 24: 908.756.9853 Open House Festival May 11 10:00am-3:00pm Rain Date May 18



EDISON YMCA OAK TREE CAMP

Oak Tree offers S.T.E.A.M. Camp and Enrichment Camp at the Edison YMCA. Oak Tree Camps promote the Y's core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility and provides an environment where kids can belong, build relationships and realize their potential. Oak Tree Enrichment campers will participate in daily free swim and weekly programs that are led by professional instructors. In the afternoon, experienced counselors plan structured games, sports and arts and crafts. Campers have so much fun that they won't realize how much they are learning!



S.T.E.A.M. Camp allows children entering Kindergarten through 8th grade the chance to explore a wide array of exciting camp themes in engaging and educational ways. Children will be split into two groups—Junior Campers (Grades K-3) and Senior Campers (Grades 4-8). From there, they will take part in age-appropriate S.T.E.A.M. activities, go swimming four times a week at Oakcrest Family Swim Club, and even go on weekly field trips (at no additional cost!). Some theme weeks include:

•Wild West •Heroes & Villains

- •Wish Upon a Star •Color Wars
- •A Galaxy Far Away •The Mighty Jungle
- •School of Wizardry •Atlantis
- •Under the Big Top •Game On

ENRICHMENT CAMP

For children entering grades K—8th grade

In Enrichment Camp, our Y counselors will be joined by specialty groups Bricks 4 Kidz and Mad Science to take part in immersive and hands-on projects such as robotics, video game design, chemistry, mechanical engineering, computer programming and much more! Children enrolled in our Enrichment Camp will also take part in daily swimming at Oakcrest Family Swim Club. Some theme weeks include:

- •Video Game Design •Artist's Passport
- •Space: Infinity and Beyond
- •EV3 Advanced Robotics
- •Eureka: Flight to the Future
- •Space Lego Camp
- •Secret Agent Lab •Radical Reactions, Jr.
 - •Engineering Make & Take
- •Computing & Circuit Engineering

OAK TREE CAMP

1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison, NJ

Main Camp Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm Before Care Option: 7:00am to 8:00am After Care Option: 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Camp Director: Mike Tivey mike.tivey@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.494.3232, ext. 3516

METUCHEN YMCA SUMMER CAMPS

CAMP LENAPE

For children grades entering K-9

Camp Lenape located in Piscataway provides campers with a unique opportunity to connect with peers and the community. Campers are offered a broad range of age-appropriate activities including weekly recreational swimming, swim lessons, arts and crafts, themed activities, summer reading opportunities and so much more. Our weekly recreational and educational field trips will stimulate your camper's imagination and creativity!

485 Hoes Lane, Piscataway

Contact: CampLenape@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.548.2044

Camp Lenape is closed the week of July 22-26, 2019

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Main Camp Hours: Before Care Hours: After Care Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm 7:00am to 8:00am 5:00pm to 6:00pm

CAMPTASTIC

For children ages 3-6

Camptastic is the perfect place for young children to have a safe and exciting summer. Weekly activities include free swim lessons, arts and crafts, games, outdoor play, weekly theme activities and much more! Camptastic is taught by our year-round Preschool and Kindergarten teachers. Campers remain at the Metuchen YMCA every day.

> 8 weeks of camp July 1—August 23

Camp Director: Pamela Cohen 732.548.2044, ext. 2226 pam.cohen@ymcaofmewsa.org

Main Camp Hours:8:00am to 4:00pmHalf Day Camp Hours:8:00am to 11:30amor12:30pm to 4:00pm

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METUCHEN YMCA SUMMER CAMPS

CAMP MUNSEE

SWIM LESSONS VAILABLE

For children entering grades K-9

Camp Munsee provides a safe, fun and welcoming environment for campers to learn, explore, be creative and make lasting friendships! Our camp programs feature a variety of traditional activities such as sports, S.TE.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics), field trips twice a week, recreational swimming and new this year— Teen Camp! Join us for one or more weeks or all summer long!

Camp Director: Gabriella St. Fleur 732.548.2044, ext. 2255 gabriella.stfleur@ymcaofmewsa.org

Main Camp Hours: Before Care Hours: After Care Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm 7:00am to 8:00am 5:00pm to 6:30pm

TEEN LEADER'S CAMP

For grades Entering 7th—9th grade

Campers will learn leadership skills and have fun! With staff-led monitoring, Teen Leader's Camp leaves teens feeling fulfilled and confident. Teens enjoy experiences that teach important life skills, including communication, decisionmaking and conflict resolution. Traditional camp activities include free swim time and weekly field trips.

> Themes include: The Counselor in YOU Save a Life—First Aid The Teacher in YOU Survival Skills Obstacle Challenge Open for Business

65 High Street, Metuchen

Camp Director: Gabriella St. Fleur 732.548.2044, ext. 2255 gabriella.stfleur@ymcaofmewsa.org

Main Camp Hours:

8:00am to 5:00pm

SPECIALTY CAMP (S.T.E.A.M. activities)

For children ages 5-13

Campers enjoy a half day of specialty camp, then a half day of traditional camp activities.

Specialty Camp themes include: Video Game Design (Grades 2-6) "Galaxy Far Away" Space LEGO® Camp (Grades K-5) Stock Market Game Camp (Grades 3-6) Physical Computing & Circuit Engineering with Coding (Grades 3-7)

See Camp Munsee for hours and contact info

SOUTH AMBOY YMCA SUMMER CAMPS

TRADITIONAL CAMP For children ages 3-13

Camp SAY Traditional Camp provides campers with a unique opportunity to connect with peers and their community. We offer campers a broad range of age-appropriate camps with fun weekly themes that support academic, socio-economic and physical growth including: **Recreational Swimming** (swim lessons are also available for purchase), **Weekly Trips** and enrichment activities of crafts, science, technology, math, archery, cooking, movement arts and trips to the **Raritan Bay Waterfront Park.**

At Camp SAY, you choose the age-appropriate group for your child to rotate through a schedule of activities throughout the day:

Discovery Camp (ages 3-5)

A camp just for the little ones to help prepare them for Kindergarten and beyond!

Explorers Camp (grades K-1)

Campers will focus on making new friends, engaging in high energy activities and exploring the world around them.

Achievers Camp (grades 1–3)

These campers will have more freedom and spend more time outdoors with special activities for their learning and development.

Adventure Camp (grades 3-5)

Enriching experiences that help these campers take on new adventures by trying new activities, engaging in some community service activities, and having lots of fun!



Voyagers Camp (grades 5 and up)

Two weekly trips for Voyagers Campers! A camp of their own where pre-teens can be supported, excited, and lead camp activities around campus.

Contact: SAYCampDirector@ymcaofmewsa.org 732.553.9622





Main Camp Hours: Before Care Hours: After Care Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm 7:00am to 8:00am 5:00pm to 7:00pm



SOUTH AMBOY YMCA SUMMER CAMPS





SPECIALTY CAMPS

For children Grades 1-8

Campers will develop a greater passion for the things they love or learn something new with deep-dives into specialty activities in the morning, and then join traditional camp for recreational swim and activities.

Each week offers a different option, including: S.T.E.A.M. Camp Fun with Food Out of this World Science All Sorts of Sports Dance and Theatre Tiny Chefs Scratch Robotics See our website for more details

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SAMPLE CAMP THEMES*

	Centenary	Our Savior's	Ken Shirk	Avenel	Colonia	Oakcrest	Oak Tree	Camp Lenape	Camp SAY	Camp Munsee	Camptastic
Animal Adventure/Safari/Jumanji/Mighty Jungle	•	•	•	•	•	•	•				•
Mad Scientist											•
Beneath the Sea											•
Under the Big Top Circus Fun/Carnival						•	•		•	•	•
Summer Soakin'/Make a Splash/Atlantis						•	•			•	•
Travel Back in Time/Blast From the Past										•	•
Superheroes/Pirates & Princesses/Heroes & Villains						•	•	•	•		•
Y Olympics	•	•	•	•	•	•			•		
Color Spectacular/Color Wars	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			•	
Scratch (Coding & Programming)/Robotics							•		•		
Rock Star!									•		
Jump Into Summer										•	
Hooray for the U.S.A./Stars & Stripes	•	•	•	•	•					•	
A Galaxy Far Away/3.2.1 Blast Off!/Space Force	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			•	
Wizards and Magic/School of Wizardry						•	•			•	
Let's Go Green									•	•	
Wild West						•	•				
Wish Upon a Star							•				
Y's Got Talent	•	•	•	•	•				•		
Food Wars									•		
Movies and Animation						•					
Gold Rush	•	•	•	•	•						
The Buzz on Bugs/Creepy Crawlers									•		
S.T.E.A.M. Fun						•	•	•	•	•	•

*Camp themes subject to change For a full listing of camp themes and descriptions, visit <u>ymcaofmewsa.org/camp</u>

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THINGS TO KNOW

HOW TO REGISTER

Visit ymcaofmewsa.org/camp/information to register online or visit the camp location for assistance with the registration process. Registration opens March 1st!

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

- •Medical forms must be completed prior to the start of camp. NJ law requires that a health form for each child be on file at camp. Any child that does not have completed forms will not be able to attend camp. Medical forms can be downloaded from our website.
- •A non-refundable and non-transferrable deposit is due for each child each week upon registration. Please contact your camp location for deposit fees.
- Any changes to your existing registration will incur a fee.

CAMP PAYMENTS

Please contact your camp location for a payment schedule.

- •Camp fees must be paid before child can attend camp.
- •A \$20 fee will be assessed on all late payments per week.
- •There are no credits or refunds for absences.

CAMP DISCOUNTS

- •Sibling discounts are available. Please see your camp location for details.
- •Early bird discount applied for campers enrolled prior to June 1, 2019. Does not apply to Child Care Services Camps.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

As state licensed programs, we are committed to providing your child with the finest staff and team leaders. Our trained staff will provide your child with supervision and guidance. Their talents and years of experience working with young children will enhance your child's summer experience.

The Y's philosophy and commitment is to help each child grow socially, emotionally, cognitively and physically at their own individual pace. Under the guidance of our carefully selected and trained staff, campers will achieve the unexpected, learn valuable life lessons and make friends and memories that will last a lifetime!

BEFORE AND AFTER CARE

Care is offered at many camp locations for an additional fee. Preregistration is required. See registration form.

FIELD TRIPS

Most camps offer fun and educational off-site field trips each week. Field trip schedules will be available in the spring on the website.

CAMP FOR ALL-FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Every child deserves a camp experience. Through our Annual Support Campaign, the Y raises money for camp scholarships. Visit our website at https://www.ymcaofmewsa.org/camp/information to download a financial assistance application or call your camp location to have an application mailed to you. The financial assistance application deadline is June 7, 2019.

IMPORTANT CAMP DATES

Camp Open House (all camp locations)	February 23 April 27	11:00am-2:00pm 11:00am-2:00pm
Camp Registration Opens!	March 1	www.ymcaofmewsa.org/camp
Oakcrest Camp & Pool Open House	March 15 April 26	5:00pm-7:00pm 5:00pm-7:00pm
Camp Family Fun Nights held at Oakcrest Pool (all camps)	July 9 August 15	6:00pm-8:00pm 6:00pm-8:00pm
Annual Day of Camps held at Oakcrest Pool (all camps)	July 16	10:00am-1:00pm

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EDISON YMCA CAMPS*

Oak Tree Camps 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison Oak Tree Enrichment Camp

732.494.3232 S.T.E.A.M. Camp

Oakcrest Family Swim Club Camps 970 Inman Avenue, Edison S.T.E.A.M. Traditional Camp Leaders in Training

908.756.9853 Counselors in Training

METUCHEN YMCA CAMPS*

Metuchen YMCA

65 High Street, Metuchen Leader's Club Camp Camptastic **Camp Lenape**

732.548.2044 Camp Munsee

485 Hoes Lane, Piscataway

732.548.2044 ext. 2234

SOUTH AMBOY YMCA CAMP5*

South Amboy YMCA 200 John T. O'Leary Blvd.

732.553.9622

South Amboy Camp

Camp SAY

***EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DISCOUNT** BY JUNE 1, 2019. Ask about our sibling discount!

Y LEARNING CENTER CAMPS

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